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Dear Dave,

I won't have time to include this in what I'll mail in a few monehts and I probably will not have finished it by the time I leave for a podiatrist's appointment but in the event Gallen returns what I've asked for rather than giving me what I want in writing and then in the event something happens to me, I'd like you with Lil to do whatever can be done with the writings. My account of what led me to write him is the literal truth and, as happened when I wrote that certified letter to C & G, I slept without interruption for the rest of the night. So I guess reaching decision is good for me.

Jerry stays much too busy to find the time.

I've asked or left word for a friendly Post routeman I used to see mornings at Carmalis's to please give me all the copies he can get of the todays Newman story referred to in the letter to Gallen. He gave me the copies of the Post series I sent you and others. At last one not the few of us saying what I've been saying for years. And while I'm at it and before I return to my main purpose, note that nobody we know mentioned me to anyone of those with an obvious interest. Before leaving for the doctor I left a message for Meyer to please ask Newman to get in touch. I can fill some of his important gaps in.

If I did not send you copies of the letters to Gallen that I refer to I have them and I do not exaggerate at all what I did forecast. And again it happened! Any book now with that attention would do very well and have real significance. You'll understand this better when you see the story.

What I've done is what I would have done when I sent that certified letter to C & G. Rather than have them sit on it all forever I'd rather taken a chance and try elsewhere. You may remember I asked you to get me Sheridan Square's address. If Newman does get in touch I think he may be of some help if he wants to be.

The only possible explanation I can think of is that Gallen is compromised by the fact that he is counsel not only to C & G but to the entire Publishers West that distributes for them and for many others. What they were doing with the condensations amounts to an attempt to steal Whitewash. Sitting on the two current books makes sense only in terms of protecting Livingstone's. While that could never be proven, it is a conspiracy. Gallen fell silent when I began to send him copies of Livingstone's letters that could make legal difficulties for C & G. Graf did see Hoax and he did say the first good time after the holiday for books is when he'd have it out. No word on NEVER AGAIN! So why nothing on paper for Hoax and on S elections from Whitewash? And why do the improver under the agreement with the latter?

You know the books. I think you agree I have not exaggerated the potential and that to anyone in the business that should be obvious.

I hope you understand and agree I've done the right thing. Best, Harold